

# **THE ZERO TOLERANCE LAW**

## **JUST ONE DRINK IS .02 MANY!**

The Zero Tolerance Law states that, "...anyone under the age of 21 years, who drives, operates or has actual physical control of a vehicle, an off-highway vehicle, or a moped while consuming or after having consumer alcoholic liquor, shall have his or her driver's license and/or privileges revoked for a period of 2 months for the first offense and not less than 6 months nor more than 12 months for each subsequent offense. If the underage person does not have a driver's license and/or privileges, the person shall be fined \$200 for the first offense and not less than \$400 nor more than \$1,000 for each subsequent offense."

## **YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE DRUNK TO LOSE YOUR LICENSE IN DELAWARE!**

## **IF YOUR UNDER 21 AS LITTLE AS ONE DRINK CAN MAKE IT ILLEGAL FOR YOU TO DRIVE.**

### **FIRST OFFENSE**

- 2 months revocation of license if licensed driver
- \$200 fine if unlicensed driver

### **SECOND AND EACH SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE**

- Second Offense – 6 months revocation of license if licensed driver
- Third or Subsequent Offense – 12 months revocation of license if licensed driver
- Minimum \$400 fine and maximum \$1,000 fine if unlicensed driver

### **LICENSE REINSTATEMENT**

- Fee - \$143.75

**THINK BEFORE YOU DRINK!**

## DELAWARE LEVEL ONE LEARNER'S PERMIT

### First 6 Months

#### Eligibility

- Must be 15 years and 10 months to 18 years of age
- Must complete approved Driver Education Training Course
- Must pass all written and road test by a driver education teacher (DMV examines all minors with disabilities)
- Sponsor must sign application

#### Components

- Permit must be in the possession of the permit holder
- Supervised driving at all times by a licensed parent, guardian or licensed parent, guardian or licensed driver at least 25 years old who has held a Class D license for at least 5 years and is approved by the sponsor
- Supervising driver must be seated beside the permit holder in the front seat of the vehicle when it is in motion; only the supervisor can be in the front seat
- Only 2 additional passengers besides the supervisor are permitted in the vehicle

### Second 6 Months

#### Eligibility

- Starts 6 months after issue of the Delaware Level One Learner's Permit

#### Components

- Permit must be in the possession of the permit holder
- Unsupervised driving allowed between 6 AM and 10 PM; Only 2 passengers allowed
- Supervised driving from 10 PM to 6 AM; exemption allows the permit holder to travel to or from church activities, work activities and school activities on the permit holder's school grounds
- The Supervisor must be a licensed parent, guardian or licensed driver at least 25 years old who has held a Class D license for a minimum of 5 years and is approved by the sponsor
- Supervising driver must be in the front seat of the vehicle when it is in motion; only the supervisor can be in the front seat

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## CLASS D LICENSE

### Unrestricted

#### Eligibility

- At least 16 years and 10 months of age
- Credited with 12 months Delaware Level One Learner's Permit experience
- The Class D license becomes valid on the effective date printed on the license

#### Components

- Class D License must be in the possession of the license holder when driving
- May drive unsupervised at any time

# **GRADUATED DRIVER LICENSING CHECKLIST**

**Teach your kids to drive for life**

## **DRIVER'S PREPARATION**

- ☐ Adjusts Seats/Mirrors/Seatbelts

## **LANE CHANGES**

- ☐ Checks Blindspots
- ☐ Checks Mirrors
- ☐ Uses Signal
- ☐ Stays out of Other Driver's Blindspots

## **BACKING**

- ☐ Proper Speed
- ☐ Eyes Toward Back

## **STEERING**

- ☐ Uses Proper Lane
- ☐ Hand Position
- ☐ Turn Signals

## **OPEN ROAD**

- ☐ Stays in Lane
- ☐ Proper Speed
- ☐ Backing Practice
- ☐ Complete Stops
- ☐ Minimum Following Distance  
(2 second count)
- ☐ Uses Horn if Needed
- ☐ Cautious Intersection Approach
- ☐ Yields Right of Way
- ☐ Driving in Heavy Traffic
- ☐ Driving in Rain (Use Headlights)
- ☐ Driving in Winter Weather
- ☐ Driving at Night  
(High/Low Beam Lights)

## **ATTENTION & ATTITUDE**

- ☐ Anticipates Danger
- ☐ Patience (Non-Aggressive)
- ☐ Keeps Eyes Scanning
- ☐ How to Avoid Rear-end Collisions
- ☐ Drives Defensively
- ☐ Passing Precautions

**Note: The sponsor can withdraw their endorsement at any time, thereby canceling the license of the minor, until the driver reaches 18 years of age.**